

Recycling isn't just for the kitchen or garage. It's for every room in the house. There might be several materials in each room of your home that you never thought about recycling before. *Are you recycling all that you can around your home?*

**BATHROOM:** In your **bathroom**, items such as toilet paper cores are considered paperboard paper and are recyclable in the San Antonio RECYCLES! program. Tissue boxes, soap boxes, medicine boxes and other paperboard and cardboard boxes are all recyclable. Empty shampoo, conditioner, mouthwash, contact lens solution and liquid soap bottles along with other plastic bottles with a "neck" or "screw-top" are also recyclable. Even empty shaving cream, deodorant, air freshener, hairspray and aerosol cans may be recycled.



**LAUNDRY ROOM:** Clean up your act in your **laundry room** by recycling liquid detergent bottles, bleach bottles, powder soap boxes and fabric softener boxes.

**BEDROOM:** No sleeping on the job! Look around your **bedroom** for recyclable items such as newspapers, magazines and catalogs, gift boxes and shoe boxes.

**HOME OFFICE:** Make recycling part of your workday. There's plenty to recycle in your **home office**, including writing paper, copy paper, envelopes, junk mail and outdated phone books.

**FAMILY ROOM:** In your **family room**, items such as old TV listings, magazines, newspapers and beverage containers are all recyclable.

**KITCHEN:** Your **kitchen** is cooking with recyclable items. Aluminum foil and cans, steel cans such as soup and tomato paste cans, plastic milk jugs and organic juice bottles, glass bottles and jars can all be recycled (Remove all lids from jars and bottles-all lids are recyclable). Don't forget about paper items that can be recycled from your kitchen such as cereal boxes, brown paper bags, paper egg cartons, paper towel cores, empty aerosol cans (Pam, etc.) and all plastics from **#1 - #7**. Plastic containers must have the **Recycling Triangle** on them.



## **Setting up a Household Recycling System:**

- Place a separate box, bin or bag in rooms where lots of recyclable items are used. For example, the kitchen, home office and laundry room. When these bins get full, empty them into your recycling cart.
- To accommodate the collection of recyclable items from rooms where a recycling bin might not go with the décor or fit (bedrooms and bathrooms), place a small box, bin or bag in a closet on each floor of your house. Having a designated space for recycling on each floor of your house will make it more convenient to recycle items like toilet paper cores, shampoo bottles and shoe boxes that are typically found in rooms without a recycling bin.



- Before emptying a personal waste basket from a bedroom or office, check to see if there are any recyclable items you can pull out and recycle instead.
- Pick a spot close to your recycling bin to go through your mail each day so that recycling your junk mail, envelopes and catalogs will be that much easier.
- Before sitting down to do a craft project or organize your files, grab a recycling bin or an empty box to collect paper scraps, old bills, folders and envelopes.
- When cleaning out your garage, refrigerator, basement, cabinets and closets, make sure a recycling bin, box or bag is nearby for collecting recyclable items.

## **San Antonio RECYCLES!**

For additional information on Recycling call the City of San Antonio at 3-1-1 or visit us on-line at [sanantonio.gov/swmd/](http://sanantonio.gov/swmd/)